

Listing of Claims

Please amend claims 1 and 10 as show. This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A method for sending a notification message to a telecommunication subscriber without revealing unpublished contact information, said method comprising:

providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form, the notification message being entered on a web-enabled device by the requestor or conveyed by voice to a directory assistance operator by the requestor and subsequently ~~transmitted~~transcribed into electronic form to provide the notification message in electronic form; and

sending said notification message to said subscriber by text messaging and charging a fee to said requestor for sending the notification message.

2. (Canceled)

3. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising sending an e-mail containing said notification message to said subscriber as a supplement to the notification message sent by text messaging.

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form includes allowing said requestor to provide information via a landline or wireless telephone.

6. (Previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form includes allowing said requestor to provide information via a computer network and a web-enabled device.

7. (Previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly

send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form further includes causing a notification message screen to be displayed on said web-enabled device.

8. (Original) The method of claim 7 wherein said notification message screen includes a text box in which the text of said notification message is entered.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8 wherein said notification message screen includes additional text boxes in which said requestor's name and access number are entered.

10. (Currently amended) A system for sending a notification message to a telecommunication subscriber without revealing unpublished contact information, said system comprising:

means for a requestor of unpublished contact information to request the telecommunication subscriber contact information;

means for providing the requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form, the notification message being entered on a web-enabled device by the requestor or conveyed by voice to a directory assistance operator by the requestor and subsequently ~~transmitted~~transcribed into electronic form to provide the notification message in electronic form; and

means for sending said notification message to said subscriber by text messaging and charging a fee to said requestor for sending the notification message.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Previously presented) The system of claim 10, further comprising means for sending an e-mail containing said notification message to said subscriber as a supplement to said notification message sent by text messaging.

13. (Previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein said means for providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form includes means for allowing said requestor or directory assistance operator to provide information via a landline or wireless telephone.

14. (Previously presented) The system of claim 10 wherein said means for providing a requestor of unpublished contact information of a telecommunication subscriber an opportunity

to indirectly send said subscriber a notification message in electronic form includes means for allowing said requestor or directory assistance operator to provide information via a computer network and a web-enabled device.

15. (Previously presented) The system of claim 14 wherein said means for allowing said requestor or directory assistance operator to provide information via a computer network and a web-enabled device further includes means for causing a notification message screen to be displayed on said web-enabled device.

16. (Original) The system of claim 15 wherein said notification message screen includes a text box in which the text of said notification message is entered.

17. (Original) The system of claim 16 wherein said notification message screen includes additional text boxes in which said requestor's name and access number are entered.